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TO INFO	Chief of Station, Vienna Attention: Chief, EE		HEADQUARTERS FILE NO. 6-124-27/3
FROM	Chief of Base, Salzburg		DATE 5 May 1960
SUBJECT	GRCROOND/Operations GRCROOND Progress Report		RE: "43-3" — (CHECK "X" ONE) MARKED FOR INDEXING NO INDEXING REQUIRED
ACTION REQUIRED	None, for your information and files.		XX INDEXING CAN BE JUDGED BY QUALIFIED HQ. DESK ONLY
REFERENCE(S)	<p>a. EASA-5227, 17 August 1959 b. EAVW-13423, 10 September 1959 c. EASA-5249, 17 October 1959 d. EASA-5272, 3 December 1959</p> <p>1. Forwarded herewith are progress reports covering the period 1 October 1959 to 1 May 1960. Since reference b. has assigned new UW Areas, the old format of bi-monthly progress reports for odd and even numbered UW Areas will not be followed. Instead each Sub-Project, and the agents assigned to it, will be handled individually. Topics of interest to all areas, such as caching, will be handled in the following paragraphs.</p> <p>2. Our caching program during the reporting period has followed the instructions in paragraphs d., e. and f. of reference b., which briefly state that arms, sabotage and air reception caching is to be discontinued, that further information will be sent from Headquarters concerning the caching of survival kits, and that W/T sets are to be cached only for fully trained operators. It is anticipated that EUCA's change of their Base Station and the corresponding change in our agent's signal plans, will mean that new signal plans will have to be issued and cached. EUCA has informed us, however, that these will not be ready until July. We expect that GRBLAMED-31 will be fully trained after a scheduled two-week W/T session in August 1960; we will attempt to get down a complete W/T cache for him before winter sets in.</p> <p>3. SOB's training plan has been following, in general, the outline given in paragraph 2. of reference d., viz., that all P/A's will be brought up to at least Phase II of SOB's Training Program before their deactivation, and that the W/T operators get the same material but at a somewhat slower pace. To achieve this, the following list of subjects is being given to each agent. For some this represents the first time that these subjects were given; for most agents this is just a review and assures that all have had at least the rudiments of Tradecraft Training. The final training is spread out as follows over the last three meetings with agents:</p> <p>a. <u>First Meeting</u> : 1) Allgemeine Verhaltensregeln 2) Uebliche Abwehrmassnahmen des Feindes 3) Was ist einer Meldung wert? 4) Meldungen</p> <p>b. <u>Second Meeting</u> : 5) Begriffe der Abteilung 6) Zusammenkuenfte 7) Zwischenstellen 8) Zeichen und Signalen</p> <p>c. <u>Third Meeting</u> : 9) Der Unterschlupf 10) Beschattung 11) Empfang von Luftabwurfen</p> <p>Most agents have received also on-the-job training in the selection and documenting of Dead Drops and LZ/DZ's, and in the emplacement and recovery of caches.</p> <p>4. GRLAUNCH-2 was met four times, GRLAUNCH-1 three times and GRLAUNCH-A/9 twice during the reporting period. The main purpose of these meetings was to set the stage for the termination of these agents. indled the actual termination and is forwarding the termination dispatch (see EASA-5318).</p>		
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Attachments: H/W

- 1) GRRPAIR Sub-Project *filed in 6-124-27/10 as ENSA-S320/1*
- 2) GRMLAND and GRIMPASTE Sub-Projects *filed as 6-124-27/11*
- 3) GRAVIMETRY Sub-Project *filed as 6-124-27/12*

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I. GRREPAIR Sub-Project:

a. GRREPAIR-3 - This agent was met twice in this reporting period, once by [redacted] on 9 January to inform him that he was being deactivated (in reality he is being terminated), and finally by [redacted] and [redacted] to effect the termination. A complete termination report was forwarded (see EASA-5314, dated 27 April 1960) by [redacted].

b. GRREPAIR-7 (201-112023) - This agent was met four times. Following is a summary of the major developments:

- 1) One of our prime concerns during this period was GRREPAIR-7's friendship for GRREPAIR-3 and the effect this would have on our plans to work a deception on GRREPAIR-3. We told GRREPAIR-7 exactly what our plans were concerning GRREPAIR-3, but we said the termination was due rather to GRREPAIR-3's over-exposure than to anything else. GRREPAIR-7 quickly stated that he had learned the distinction between duty and friendship a long time ago and that, while he still likes GRREPAIR-3 as a friend, he feels his first duty is to us. A story for GRREPAIR-3's consumption was then agreed on. Briefly stated this is as follows: all staybehind activity is being cut down for reasons of security and economy; all agents will receive a certain bonus and plans will be made for re-contact in case of war or other emergency; regular contact will then cease, along with salary payments. (Case Officer Note: Other agents known to GRREPAIR-3 were also given this same story, viz., GRREPAIR-9 and -15.) Since being informed of these plans, GRREPAIR-7 has reported several conversations with GRREPAIR-3; the latter seems to have accepted the story. The friendship between these two agents doesn't seem to be as strong as we first thought; no future problems are anticipated in this regard.
- 2) GRREPAIR-7 has continued to supply information on Karl FINKER, whom agent suspects is a Communist, and Wilhelm F. HAARIT, FINKER's alleged Communist contact. These people were traced with negative results. Agent will continue to observe FINKER and supply what information he comes across.
- 3) GRREPAIR-7 turned in six aerial photographs of his area which he obtained from a friend in the Austrian Forstamt. These pictures are several of a series taken in connection with a conservation program and are of excellent quality. These photographs will be used to document agent's LZ/DZ reports, etc.
- 4) Agent continues to act as GRREPAIR-17's principal agent and does an excellent job in this capacity. There were, however, two instances in which agent sort of "goofed". On two successive occasions, GRREPAIR-7 has forgotten to allow for a six-day date change established for the security of all public media communication between Case Officer and agent. On another occasion agent brought his wife along to a meeting to help with the driving because he was ill with the flu. Agent's cover story of meeting an automobile dealer seemed rather flimsy and agent was asked not to do this again without clearing first with the Case Officer. A recurrence of these problems is not anticipated.

c. GRREPAIR-9

- 1) This agent has been met only once since being turned over to Case Officer in September 1959. This was due to bad weather, which resulted in a missed meeting and prior commitments of both Case Officer and agent. Agent was briefed on our plans for GRREPAIR-3 and agreed to help us. Agent was also told about the general cutdown in staybehind activity and how this would affect him. He readily agreed to this, saying that his own purpose in "cooperating" with us had been to find friends that he could turn to if Austria was ever overrun; since he had these friends now, all other contact should be cut for our mutual security.

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2) The next meeting with agent will be the last. A cold contact system will be arranged for GRREPAIR-9 and -15 in case of war; GRREPAIR-15 will act as GRREPAIR-9's radio operator. Agent was also asked to arrange a cold contact system for GRREPAIR-19. (Case Officer Note: GRREPAIR-19 is a close friend of GRREPAIR-9 who was virtually recruited without proper clearances, dropped, and then cleared and allowed to continue in a somewhat nebulous capacity, not actually doing anything but believing that he was still considered as a member of the "organization". GRREPAIR-9 had offered us GRREPAIR-19's services in case anything happened to agent himself; we decided to accept, at least to the extent of setting up contact arrangements, since we had the necessary clearances and since good assets aren't that easy to come by.) GRREPAIR-9 agreed to set up the communications, but then asked us to meet GRREPAIR-19 the next time and give him part of the money due to him (GRREPAIR-9). Case Officer agreed. GRREPAIR-19 will accompany agent to the next meeting, receive emergency contact instructions, and will be given a part of GRREPAIR-9's termination bonus as a gesture of our good will. These two agents will then be contacted only in case of emergency.

d. GRREPAIR-15 - This agent was met five times during the reporting period.

1) Agent is coming along fine in his W/T training. He has attended two more training sessions in Frankfurt, one in October 1959 and the other in March 1960. He is progressing steadily and went "on the air" for the first time during the last session. Agent is very eager and conscientious. Agent is now classed as an intermediate student and should be fully trained by spring 1961 if he continues going to training at his present rate. Another training trip is planned for August of this year.

2) GRREPAIR-15 revealed several interesting facts concerning GRREPAIR-3's security, or rather lack thereof. These remarks were made by GRREPAIR-15 before he was informed of our plans to terminate GRREPAIR-3, hence they served as an excellent entree for presenting our plan. In short, agent complained because he felt GRREPAIR-3 had been deceiving us: a) GRREPAIR-3 had recruited GRREPAIR-15 beforehand, then told GRREPAIR-15 to go through the motions with the Case Officer; b) GRREPAIR-3 tried to get GRREPAIR-15 to come to GRREPAIR-3's house and tell GRREPAIR-3's wife that "the Americans" needed him, thus offering GRREPAIR-3 an excuse so he could spend the night with a girlfriend - GRREPAIR-15 refused; and c) GRREPAIR-3's inflated standard of living was attracting attention and agent feared his own security is thereby endangered. Agent was briefed on our plan for terminating GRREPAIR-3 and was asked to keep an eye on GRREPAIR-3 to see how he reacted. (GRREPAIR-15 recently reported that GRREPAIR-3 is alleged to have quit his job - he was told to check into this further and notify us immediately if the rumor is true.)

3) We plan to have GRREPAIR-15 act as GRREPAIR-9's radio operator; no contact arrangements will be given, however, until GRREPAIR-15 is fully trained.

4) GRREPAIR-15 recently had a severe gall bladder attack and jaundice; an emergency operation was required. In spite of this, however, agent attended a training session just four weeks later. Agent should be commended for his conscientious work; he is consistently available for training and operational meetings, often at his personal inconvenience, as in the above case.

e. GRREPAIR-17 - This agent has been met only twice, and this time at the end of March 1960. Most of Case Officer's business with agent is conducted through GRREPAIR-7, hence he is met usually only when he comes out for W/T training.

1) Agent turned in a rather astounding performance at his last training session. In only two training periods his code speed and procedural knowledge is such that he will be put on the air at the next session. His Training Officer said that it was obvious that agent spends a great deal of time practicing and studying, and recommended that agent be given some sort of incentive award.

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<p>2) An incident of possible significance deserves mention here. While getting agent set up in a safehouse prior to his last training session, agent casually asked Case Officer and the Training Officer "Where's the other radio operator that's here for training"? We said that we didn't know of any other operator and agent sheepishly said "Oh" and the subject was dropped. There actually was another operator there at the time; this was GRRPAIR-15, who was supposedly compartmented from GRRPAIR-7 and GRRPAIR-17. Case Officer checked this out with GRRPAIR-7, who assures us that there is no possible way for he himself or GRRPAIR-17 to know about any other radio operators. A probable explanation is that GRRPAIR-17 made a natural assumption that there would be other radio operators at a W/T training center; agent, who can be naive at times, might have expected a little socializing with the boys. We will keep an ear open for any similar remarks or complete explanation of this remark.</p> <p>Distribution: 2 - Vienna H/W 2 - EE "</p>		
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II. GRBLAMED Sub-Project

a. GRBLAMED-26 - There were two meetings with this agent. He has been informed that he will be deactivated and has received the first part of his final training. Another meeting is scheduled at which he will receive final training and contact instructions to GRBLAMED-31. Details will be included in the next progress report.

b. GRBLAMED-31

1) Also two meetings with this agent. GRBLAMED-31 is scheduled for a training session in August 1960. Training officers feel he should be a finished operator after this training period; an attempt will be made to get his equipment down before the winter freeze. If this is successful, agent will be deactivated and not met again until 1961 for a refresher session.

2) Agent has shown a marked lack of interest in his training and meetings. We attribute this in part to his increased domestic burden - a fourth child was born into agent's family in December. The training officers tell us that agent has a good deal of ability as a radio operator; he is, in fact, one of the better ones. But both [] and [] feel agent's attitude and family situation militate against his coming on the air after D-Day.

III. GRIMPASTE This agent will be dealt with here for administrative purposes.

1) GRIMPASTE was met four times in the reporting period. In January he was informed that he would be deactivated and recontacted only once a year for refresher training. In April he was taken on a combination field exercise/refresher training session, at which he did an excellent job and reaffirmed our contention that he is one of our best operators.

2) At the next meeting in June, which will be the last until next year, agent will be given an emergency contact system to GRBLAMED-26. Although GRIMPASTE can operate as a singleton agent, it is felt that he could function, if necessary, as an alternate means of our communicating with GRBLAMED-26. One other item pertaining to GRIMPASTE is still hanging fire, that of putting down a currency cache for him. MOB is presently in the process of getting gold bars on the economy, as per paragraph 2 of EASW-1470 dated 4 April 1960; this is to inform you that this is the procedure we have decided to follow.

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IV. GRAVIMETRY Sub-Project:

a. GRAVIMETRY-1 This agent was met seven times during the reporting period. One of the main items of business covered at these meetings was the cancellation of GRAVIMETRY-1's loan; Headquarters has already been informed of this by EASA-5262 dated 13 November 1959. After the loan had been cancelled agent was asked to perform several support tasks for us in Salzburg; he said he would be happy to help us. (Permission for the limited use of agent in a support capacity was sent from Headquarters in EAW-13061 dated 19 June 1959.) Agent has supplied background and neighborhood information on the Czech Consulate in Salzburg and on the residences of several of the Czech consular officials. Agent's area and personality knowledge of the Salzburg area is extensive and the work was well done. Agent's approach to the matter of operational security, however, is rather questionable and agent has shown an inclination to return to his old sloppy ways. While there has been no breach of security as yet, SOB feels that it should dispense with agent's services before he has the chance to manufacture one. After the last meeting agent was told we would get in touch with him if we needed anything; we do not plan to call on him again.

b. GRAVIMETRY-4 Agent has been met four times in the reporting period. He has been informed that he will be deactivated and recontacted once a year for refresher training; he accepted this without comment. He is scheduled for a training session in July and has received all the trade-craft training mentioned in paragraph 3 of this dispatch. Before deactivation, agent will be given a commo system to GREFPAIR-6; these two will be considered as a team until GREFPAIR-12 has been fully trained.

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